

SEPT  
1842

Battle of SALADO Creek  
Texas

Sept 1842

During the advance of Dawson & his 53 men toward San Antonio, the 400 Mexicans surrounded them near SALADO Creek.

In just over an hour, 36 Texans were killed, 15 were Captured; 3 managed to escape. Dawson was among the dead.

2 Days later Gen. Wall's Army left San Antonio taking the 15 Dawson

prisoners with them. Ten of them  
were marched toward Mexico City

Sept 18, 1842 (Sunday)

Dawson's men were captured  
at Salado, Texas

Nov 25, 1842

Pres Houston ordered the republic's  
militias to assemble at San Antonio  
to pursue the invaders (Gen Well)  
He appointed Brigadier Gen. Alexander  
Somervell to take charge. On Nov 25,  
more than 750 soldiers left San  
Antonio with the goal of capturing  
Laredo.

Dec. 9 1842

Brig Gen. Alexander Somervell & his  
750 Texans took Laredo without  
resistance; but supplies for the  
troop were running low

Mid Dec 1842

Somervell's force of Texans had advanced to the town of Guerrero on the south side of the Rio Grande. Local officials did not meet his demands for provisions or for cash so Somervell ordered his poorly supplied force to return home on Dec 18. Five of Somervell's captains & more than 300 of his troops

refused. On Dec 19, Somervell & his  
remaining troops headed for home  
The force that remained elected Captain  
William S. Fisher as their Commander  
and began a 3 day march



Dec. 20, 1842

Captain William T. Fisher \$ 300

Texas reached the town of MIER  
Mexico. Fisher demanded provisions  
from local officials. After two days, there  
were no supplies. Fisher learned  
from a captured Mexican that General  
Pedro de Ampudia had halted the  
delivery and was stationed in town  
with 350 men and two pieces

of Arletley. Fisher decided to attack.  
He did not know that the 350 Mexicans were  
in reality 3000 Mexicans.

When the Texans advanced into Mier  
on Dec 22 in the evening, they were met  
with steady resistance. In the A.M.  
Fisher's men began a heavy barrage of  
fire. The Mexicans ceased fire early in P.M.  
& sent a flag of truce. Fisher was told  
that Ampudia had 1,700 troops & 800 nearby  
& unless the Texans surrendered, "every  
Texan would be put to the sword."

Dec 31, 1842

Fisher, upon learning of the true situation (2,500 troops of Mexicans) agreed to the surrender terms, if the Texans would be held near the border and not marched to the interior of Mexico.

Those Texans well enough were marched toward MATAMOROS on Dec 31 1842.

1842

The British demonstrated their thousand mastery of the world by pushing narcotics. Europeans relished tea from China but the Chinese still had little need for industrial imports, and all that could be offered to them in exchange for tea was opium from India. When the Chinese rulers tried to ban the addictive drug, the British went to war, and by 1842 they had intimidated the Chinese, forcing

them to continue taking opium, and to  
yield Hong Kong.

Mar. 30, 1842

Dr. Crawford W. Long of Jefferson,  
Ga. first used ether as an  
anesthetic during a minor  
operation

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Early Closing Association formed

1842

DINOSAUR - coined word by  
Sir Richard Owen



28 SEPT 1842

They dug up Santa Anna's  
leg and buried it with  
ceremony